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INTERIOR ISSUES LEAFLET LISTING FISHERY STATISTICAL PUBLICATIONS

A leaflet containing a descriptive listing of all current fishery statistical publications released by the Fish and Wildlife Service has just been issued, the Department of the Interior said today.

The leaflet, prepared by the Service's Bureau of Commercial Fisheries, also contains listings of fishery statistical reports released by other Federal agencies, International Commissions, Interstate Compact Commissions and non-Government fishery agencies.

The commercial fishery industry of the United States is widely scattered throughout the country and along thousands of miles of coastlines. A large part of the catch is taken by individual fishermen and handled through small enterprises which have little contact with other segments of the fishing business.

There are more than 200 species of fish taken commercially and many manufactured products are made from the various species. Because of this great diversity of local fisheries and the variety of the products, it is impossible to follow trends and to conduct adequate research, harvesting and marketing programs without statistical information.

The leaflet entitled Fishery Statistical Publications of the Bureau of Commercial Fisheries catalogs in detail publications in the Current Fishery Statistical series; daily, monthly and annual Market News reports; and statistical digests. These contain data relating to the volume and value of the catch by area and species, the volume and value of processed products, freezings and cold storage holdings, foreign trade data, compilations of landings and distribution and marketing conditions, prices, current data on foreign fisheries and other pertinent data collected and assembled by the Bureau of Commercial Fisheries.

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